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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Department of Natural Resources Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE:

McGehee Sand, Reservoir D

ST. AMELIA FIELD

St. James Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of BTA Oil Producers to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the McGehee Sand, Reservoir D, in the St. Amelia Field, St. James Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the McGehee Sand, Reservoir D, in the St. Amelia Field, St. James Parish, Louisiana.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for this sand and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created.
  - 3. To designate a unit operator for the unit so created.
- 4. To provide that any well drilled outside of the McGehee Sand shall be in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 5. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the Reservoir by supplemental order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.
  - 6. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The McGehee Sand, in the St. Amelia Field, St. James Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined by Conservation Order No. 764-F, effective September 1, 1970. The McGehee Sand is further defined as being that gas and condensate bearing interval between the depths of 10,308' and 10,442' (electric log measurements) in the BTA Oil Producers - R. Curran No. 1 Well (S.N. 228269) located in Section 20, Township 12 South, Range 16 East, St. James Parish, Louisiana.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for <u>POSTING</u> of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of the St. Amelia Field, St. James Parish, Louisiana, and will cause the legal notice of the hearing to be <u>PUBLISHED</u> n a newspaper of general circulation published in the vicinity of the St. Amelia Field, St. James Parish, Louisiana, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

Any pertinent data relating to the subject application can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from David Comeaux, at Leon E. Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, Louisiana 70505 (337-233-9839).

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure, a preapplication notice was given, but no request for a conference was received, and therefore, none was held.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof a plat outlining the proposed unit and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties and proposed unit plat (being the same plat attached to the February 12, 2004 notice) are being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said plat and the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant, BTA Oil Producers, in the sum of \$755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely.

LEON E. COMEAUX & ASSOCIATES

**David Comeaux** 

DC/cu Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
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Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties

